Honorable Bob Eckhardt House of Representatives Washington, D.C. 20515

Dear Congressman Eckhardt:

I very much enjoyed our conversation the other day about the establishment of consumer organizations with the authority to speak for large numbers of constituents in class action litigation. I am not sure I can add very much to my brief article and your own perceptive understanding of the issues it addresses, but I will recapitulate a few points about it. I have asked some lawyer friends of mine to add further comments also, and to forward these directly to you.

Sincerely,

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